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DETAILED ACTION

Claims 28-31, 42, 44-45, 47 and 49-50 are pending in the application.

The finality of the previous Office Action is hereby removed in order to allow the pending claims. The amendment has been entered into the file.

Priority

Receipt is acknowledged of papers submitted under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d), which papers have been placed of record in the file.

Amendment after Final Rejection

The most recent amendment filed after Final Rejection on 8/4/04 is sufficient to overcome the rejections under 35 USC 112 First paragraph as well as 35 USC 103 (a).

Claims 28-31, 42, 44-45, 47 and 49-50 are allowed.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Patricia Leith whose telephone number is (571) 272-0968. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30am-5:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Bruce Campell can be reached on (571) 272-0974. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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